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The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any aspect of this Second Preliminary Amendment, or if the Examiner believes a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

Respectfully submitted,

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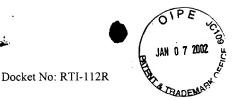
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In the specification:

The paragraph beginning at line 6 of page 1, has been amended as follows:

This application is a continuation-in-part of pending [provisional] application serial numbers [60/181,622, filed February 10, 2000, pending 09/191,132] 09/191,232 filed on November 13, 1998, pending; and of 09/378,527, filed on August 20, 1999, pending; and of [09/370,194] 09/390,174, filed on September 7, 1999, pending; and of 29/123,227, filed on May 12, 2000, pending. This application is also related to provisional application serial number 60/181,622, filed February 10, 2000; and to non-provisional application number 08/920,630, filed August 27,1997; and of non-provisional application number 09/701,933, filed August 25, 1998. The priority of all of [which] the foregoing is claimed herein under 35 U.S.C. §119 and §120. The subject matter and disclosure of all of the foregoing is hereby incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein.

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